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LEAVE.

Pte. C. H. Soper is granted leave of
absence from 7.15 to 7.17.
MUSKETRY SECTION.
Gun practice will take place on the
following dates:—
March 10th—Sub-chiefs. March 20th—
Full charge.

MUSKETRY.
Musketry for all Trained men and Re-
cruits who have not fired this season will
be carried out at King's Park Range as
follows:—

Saturday, 11th March 2.30 p.m.—Part I.
Sunday, 12th March 9.30 a.m.—Part I.
(Standard Test).

P. C. concerned will take steps to
ensure that every member of their Co. of
Section who is in the Colony and has not
completed his Musketry Course, fires on
one or both of the above dates. Corp.
Grimes, R.E., will attend and N. C. of
the units having men firing will attend
to assist him. Uniform (full order) to
be worn. One member of the Signalling
Section will attend each day for telephone
duty. The Officer in charge of the firing
point will check the ammunition both
before and after firing each day.

Officers on duty at firing point:—
March 11th—Lieut. Freeston.
March 12th—An Officer of the Engineer
Company.
Officers on duty in butts:—March 12th—
Lieut. Murphy.

PARADES.
Parades for Tuesday, 7th instant.
7 a.m.—Members of Signalling Section
and other Signallers, as detailed in Signalling
Section order dated 8.12.15—Motor
4th practice at Headquarters.
8.10 p.m.—Centre Section M. G. Co.—
M. G. drill at Kowloon Docks. Launch
leave at 8.15 p.m.
8.15 p.m.—N. C. 1 and 2 Sub-sections
Army. Battery (as detailed in Corps order
No. 4 dated 30.12.15)—10 p.m. gun drill
at Headquarters. Sergt. Bradley R.E.A.
will attend. Specialists of No. 2 Section
Army. Battery will attend also.

8.15 p.m.—Right Section M. G. Co.—
Section drill and Musketty exercises on
Crocket Ground.
8.15 p.m.—Left Section M. G. Co.—
Machine Gun instruction on Kennedy Road
Range.
8.15 p.m.—N. C. of Scouts Co.—
Instruction at Headquarters.
8.15 p.m.—Recruits of all units—Squad
drill and Rifle exercise at Headquarters
under S. M. Huby and one N. C. O. from
Right Sec. M. G. Co.

8.15 p.m.—Stretchers Bearer Section—
Instruction at Headquarters.

DETAIL.
On duty to-night, Centre Section M. G.
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DETAIL.

On duty till the morning of Friday, the
10th inst.: H.K.V.R.
Next for duty—"A" Co. H.K.V.R.
Orderly Officer, Lieut. J. O. Hughes.

PARADES.

Parade for Tuesday the 7th instant at
5.15 p.m. on the Cricket Ground—"A"
Co. for platoon drill under Platoon
Commanders. Dress: "D" in Order.

MUSKETRY.
The following members will attend at
King's Park Range on Wednesday the 8th
inst. at 2.15 p.m.: Lieut. Lee, Ptes.
C. B. Gale, G. H. May, P. P. Wolf, J. H.
Mead, J. H. Seth, F. Allen, J. R. Wood,
T. Dawkins, A. Gray, J. Hutchings, S.
R. Jones, W. Robertson, F. Brown, R. L.
Needham, R. Sutherland, E. M. French, P.
H. Rolfe, A. S. Cobby, W. Glendinning,
N. E. Kent, K. W. Penn, T. L. Perkins, T.
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Wood, L. Kerr, G. W. Cobby, W. G.
Humphreys, C. W. Ward, W. F. Fincher,
J. Lemm, Lieut. A. Lambden, Ptes. C. B.
Brooke, J. J. Robson, M. J. Wells, A.
Course, J. H. Underwood, T. Neave, H. E.
Pollock, T. K. Dwyer.

TRANSFER.
Pte. P. H. Rolfe, "A" Co. Sec. 16, is
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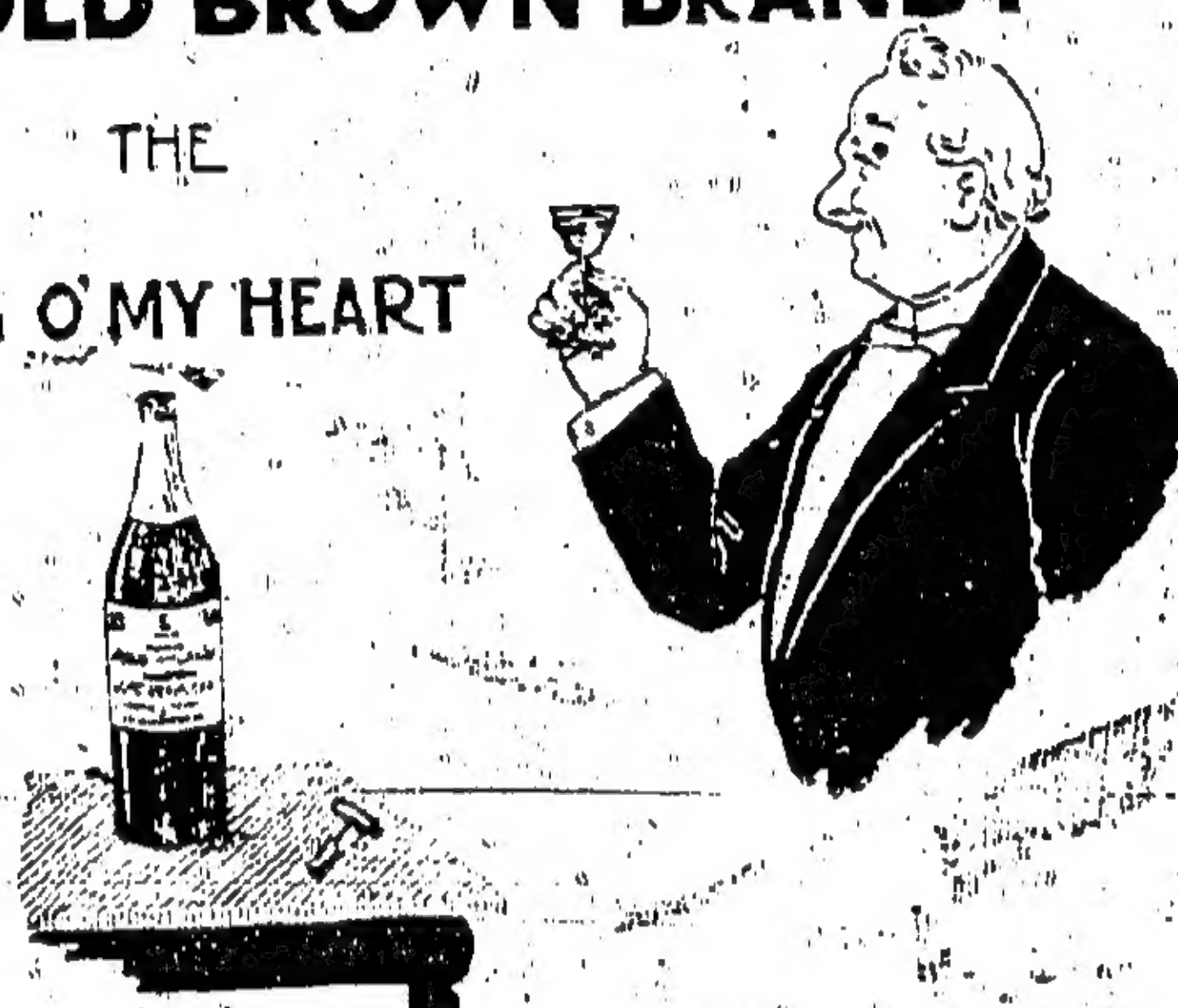
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between Basra and Ahwas thus lies in
quasi-friendly territory all the way and the
occupation of Basra is, one end of the line
and Ahwas at the other might seem
sufficient to secure the protection of the
oil field, especially as the river Karun is
itself a strong natural defensive barrier.

But having effected this occupation our
small army from India found itself in face
of a new proposition. Scarcely 100 miles
from Basra and from Ahwas about 120 miles
(direct) towards the north-west is Amara
(not Kut-el-Amara) and Amara was an
important rendezvous for Turkish forces.
As a strategic position it possessed the
advantage of being directly on the direct
line against Ahwas or Basra, or both, and
it might be impossible to say against which
position the main attack was to be delivered.
In fact it was utilized against both.

Thus it became necessary to ascend the
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[BY SIR THOMAS HOLDICR]

When a military expedition was planned for Mesopotamia the obvious and probably the only practical way of getting to them is by the way of the Persian Gulf. The growing importance of this source of oil supply for our Navy in the East was beyond question, and the arrangements for its protection imposed on the Indian Government the necessity for vigorous action.

Whilst the oil fields are Persian and well within the Persian border, the most direct (and the only practical) way of getting to them is by the way of the Persian Gulf. The Karun river, which is 80 miles in a straight line from Basra, and near it "somewhere in Persia" is the head of the oil supply. The river, it is after the fashion of the rivers of Mesopotamia, flows from the north to the south. The Karun river is navigable up to Ahwas, which is 80 miles in a straight line from Basra, and near it "somewhere in Persia" is the head of the oil supply.

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INTIMATIONS

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SEALED TENDERS in duplicate will
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until 10 A.M. on the 15th March, 1916,
from persons desirous of supplying Bear,
Mutton, Fowls, Pork, Bread, Cakes,
Fruit (or Milk, Aerated Waters, Ice,
and other provisions, and necessities for
the year ending 31st March, 1917.
Sealed Tenders in duplicate will also be
received for Coal (Aksike and Yuhari).
Printed Forms of Tender and further
particulars can be obtained at the R. N.
Hospital.

The right to reject the lowest or any
Tender is reserved.

DONALD T. HOSKYN,
Surgeon-General.
R. N. Hospital,
Hongkong, March 3, 1916. 193

NOTICE.

IN view of the refusal of LOCAL
BANKS to accept & forward Orders
on the mentioned Lines request
passengers and shippers to pay all accounts
for freight, passage money, etc., by cheque
or cash on and after 1st March, 1916.

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SWEDISH EAST ASIATIC S. S. Co.,
AMERICAN ASIATIC S. S. Co., Ltd.,
AMERICAN & PACIFIC LINE,
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Hongkong, March 4, 1916. 397

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS
will be held at the Offices of the Under-
signed at Noon on TUESDAY, the 28th
instant.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 14th to
28th instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, March 2, 1916. 190

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE THIRTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS
of the above Company will be
held at the Offices of the General Agents,
Pender's Street, on WEDNESDAY, the
28th March at 11.30 A.M. for the purpose
of receiving the Report and Statement of
Accounts for the year ending 31st
December, 1915.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 14th to
28th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, March 2, 1916. 185

THE HONGKONG STEAM LAUNCH TUG AND LIGHTER CO., LTD.

LOST.

APPLICATION has been made to this
Company to issue Duplicate Certi-
ficates of 30 Shares in this Company in the
name of YUEN CHEONG or other
Certificate or Certificates in lieu thereof
upon Statement that the Original Certificate
No. 29, Thirty Shares numbered 7739/7758
dated 18th August, 1910, has been LOST or
DESTROYED, and a NOTICE IS
HEREBY GIVEN that if within 30 days
from the date hereof no claim or repre-
sentation in respect of such Original
Certificate is made to the Company, the
Underigned will then proceed to deal with
such application for duplicate.

For the HONGKONG STEAM LAUNCH TUG
AND LIGHTER CO., LTD.,
GORDON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, Feb. 10, 1916. 103

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Hongkong, July 5, 1915. 581

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ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

AN EARLY MORNING COMPETI-
TION will be held at HAPPY
VALLEY commencing on MONDAY, 6th
March, and continuing for one month for
a CUP kindly presented by the Hon. Mr.
DAVID LAM.

Conditions—
Holes Medal Play under Handicap.
Half full Handicap to be deducted, fraction
of 4 counting one.

Any number of cards may be taken out,
but no player shall start later than
7.30 A.M.

Names to be entered in the Special Book
in the Club House. Three ball games may
be played.

T. W. HILL,
Acting Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, March 2, 1916. 188

PUBLIC LECTURE on the HONGKONG CURRENCY PROBLEM.

MR. J. M. XAVIER has kindly con-
sented to deliver a LECTURE, to be
followed by a discussion, on the above
subject, at the Cross Hall, on FRIDAY
the 10th March, at 8.15 P.M.

H. E. POLLOCK,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong Odd Volumes Society.
Hongkong, March 4, 1916. 595

A GREAT BARGAIN.

EVERYONE should visit the GREAT
SALE AT RIGHTWAYS presen-
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Hongkong, March 3, 1916 195

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THE DIARY.

MEMO. FOR TO-DAY.

9.15 p.m.—The Angel in the House
by the H.K. A.D.C. at Theatre Royal.

MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture,
Crockery, Pianos, etc., at Messrs.
Hughes and Houghton.

General Memoranda.

Wednesday, March 8.—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Stores (Tea,
Sugar, Meal, etc.) at Messrs. Hughes
and Houghton.

Friday, March 10.—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, etc., at Messrs. Hughes
and Houghton.

5.15 p.m.—Lecture on the H.K.
Currency Problem in the City Hall.
Exhibition Football Match. H.E. the
Governor presents medals.

Sunday, March 12.—
9 a.m.—Excursion to Macao by S.S.
"Kishan".

Wednesday, March 15.—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, etc., at Messrs. Hughes
and Houghton.

Friday, March 17.—
St. Patrick's Day.

Thursday, March 23.—
11 a.m.—Auction of New Furniture,
Billiard Table and Pianos at A.S.C.
Barnack, Queen's Road.

Tuesday, March 28.—
Noon—H.K. Fire Insurance Co's.
Meeting.

Wednesday, March 29.—
11.30 a.m.—China Sugar Refining Co's.
Meeting.

VISITING CARDS

PRINTED AT

China Mail Office.

of defence he has taken a firm stand,
and the overwhelming defeat of his
opponents, who sought to warn
Americans from travelling on such
ships by a resolution of the Senate,
shows that his views are strongly
supported by popular opinion. It
remains to be seen whether Germany
will heed the warning, or provoke a
breach with America.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Today is the festival of Ching-che, or
"Exalted Ancestors."

To-morrow—Shrove Tuesday—pan-
cake day; and the following day Ash
Wednesday.

The P. & O. homeward mail steamer
Kamuzu with the Hongkong mail of the
28th January left, arrived at Marseilles on
Thursday, the 2nd instant.

The P. & O. Outward Mail Steamer
Mediterranean with the London Mail of the 23th
February left, arrived at Port Said on
Saturday morning, the 4th instant.

It is reported that, owing to the
excessive rise in the price of paper, seven
vernacular papers in Peking will suspend
publication at the end of this month, says
the "Peking Gazette."

Among Rubber Companies' dividends
recently announced from London are the
following:—Siam Rubber United pays an in-
terim dividend of 4½ per cent., and Golfs
Hops a final of 12½ per cent.

Mr. A. H. Mancull, of the Hongkong &
Shanghai Banking Corporation, and formerly
of the Maxim Co., Shanghai Volunteer
Corps, has joined the Machine Gun section
of the 14th Bn. London Scottish, and is at
present training at Marlborough, near Putney.

Since the outbreak of the Yunnan
revolt, says the "Peking Daily News," the
workmen in the Hanyang Arsenal have
been greatly increased. At its utmost
capacity, the arsenal can turn out daily 20
mountain guns, 500 rifles and 500,000
rounds of shot.

Ho Yau, of 43 Caine Road, has report-
ed to the police that about midnight on
the 2nd inst. while on a voyage to Canton
from Hongkong by the S.S. Wing On and
while in Chinese waters some person stole
9 pieces of jewellery, value \$250, and \$25
in money, the property of her mistress.

A recent visitor to Vienna was sur-
prised to find the English play Mr. W. to
be a most popular evening entertainment
and greatly advertised. He went to the
Theater Volksbühne to see it, and
discovered that the cause of its popularity
was the domination of the principal
character, a Chinaman, over an English
business man.

Mr. W. Russell, No. 17 Knutsford
Terrace, Kimberley Road, reports that
some time between 12 p.m. on the 3rd and
6.30 a.m. on the 4th inst., some person
entered the sitting room at that address
by the front door, which had been left
open, and stole a silver flower stand, a
river sweet bowl, 7 silver spoons, and two
white cotton table covers, total value \$300.

The British Consul at Saigon says it
would probably pay some British steam-
ship line which has any available steamers
to send at least one steamer there a month,
reserving the space primarily for United
Kingdom ports. In the hands of an
energetic agent there is very little doubt
that a full general cargo of say 5,000 tons
could be loaded. At the same time the
agent there being one of the main import
and export firms, could probably arrange
for a good proportion of outward cargo
provided the French customs regulations as
to direct transport were followed. One of
the most badly-needed improvements in
the port is the provision of sheds or
godowns under the control of the customs
where ships could immediately discharge
their goods.

THE BANDAGE-MAKING CLASS.

A MONTH'S WORK.

The work done by the Bandage Making
Class held by Mrs. Phelps during February,
was sent to Colonel Gordon Hall, Abbasia,
Cairo District, and included—
6,035 Roller Bandages.
300 Knitted Eye Bandages.
300 Knitted Tail Bandages.
72 Roller Plaster Bandages.
400 Swabs.

49 Flannel Belts for those men discharged
from Hospital with abdominal troubles.
Mrs. Phelps would take this opportunity
of thanking the following for their kind
donations to her fund, and also of remind-
ing the workers that the need is just as
urgent as when the class was first started,
and she would be very grateful for the
continued support of everybody, both in
gifts of money, and the time of those who
can come regularly to work in the City
Hall.

Dr. Moore 310
Miss Chellie 15
Mrs. Kemp 5
Mrs. Lander 5
A Friend 5
Mrs. MacGregor, Fochow 5
Collection Box for Mr. Greenfield 5
Mrs. Eutina 10
Mrs. Koin 10

COURT OF APPEAL.

AN OPIUM COMPANY'S PETITION.

The order to wind up the Yee Hing
Company, made by the Chief Justice, Sir
Wm. Renshaw, was appealed against in
the Court of Appeal to-day, before Sir
Haviland de Saumarez, Judge of H.
M. Supreme Court of China, Shanghai,
and Mr. Justice Compertz, the Puisne
Judge.

The original petition sworn by Sun Fai
Shan was to wind up the Company, on the
grounds that there had been no statutory
meeting of shareholders since the
incorporation of the Company, on April
18th, 1912, that no statutory report of the
accounts had been presented to the
shareholders or filed with the Registrar of
Companies since the Company's incor-
poration, that there was fraud in
dealing with the affairs of the Company.
The Company had a registered office at 95
Jervois Street, and the nominal capital was
\$200,000 divided into 2000 shares of \$100
each. The amount of capital paid up or
credited as paid was \$100,000.

The object of the Company was to carry
on the business of raw opium merchants
and to buy, sell and deal in opium of all
kinds.

The Chief Justice in his judgment said
he could not find there was no meeting, on
that there was a deadlock, but he found
here was matters which required investi-
gation and he made a winding up order on
that ground.

Counsel engaged in the appeal were—
For the appellants, Mr. C. G. Alabaster and
Mr. Eldon Potter (instructed by Mr. A. H.
Craw of Messrs Hastings and Ard Hastings
office).

For the respondent, Mr. E. E. Sharp
R.O. and Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by
Mr. C. E. H. Davis of Messrs Wilkinson
and Grist's office).

Prior to the sitting of the Court, Counsel
were in Chambers with their Lordships
and on entering Court, the President
intimated that they had decided that the
case was one in which it was not
inconvenient for two judges to sit.

Mr. Alabaster mentioned there was a
cross appeal and that he had had a letter
from the respondent stating it would not
be proceeded with; he asked that the cross
appeal should be dismissed with costs.

The application was granted.

Mr. Eldon Potter said that by the courtesy
of his learned leader he had been asked to
deal with the point on which the appeal
was framed, because that point fell to his
lot when the case was heard at length in
the Court below. Counsel then proceeded
to deal with the case for the appellants
arguing that the ground upon which the
order was made was not a proper ground.

NIPPON MENKWA KABUSHIKI
KAISEI.

The following is the profit and loss
account of the above Company (the Japan
Cotton Trading Co., Ltd.) Shanghai, for
the past year:

To Reserve Funds	200,000.00
To Dividend 15% on annum	150,000.00
Yen 375 per Share	150,000.00
To Balance carried forward to next half-yearly account	133,936.99
Yen	483,936.99
By Balance brought forward	Yen
from 30th June, 1915	143,915.22
By Net Profit for this half-year ending 31st December, 1915	345,021.77
Yen	488,936.99

"RESTRAINT OF PRINCES."

A meeting of Lloyd's and company
underwriters has been held to consider the
position created by the "Restraint of
Princes" judgment of the House of Lords,
given in what is known as the Sunday case.
The final drafting of a clause for insertion
in the marine insurance policy was left to a
sub-committee, consisting of two Lloyd's
and two company underwriters, which will
also consider the terms of a new "Prize of
Capture and Seizure" clause. The effect
of the judgment is so far-reaching that on
a declaration of war between Great Britain
and any other country underwriters might
be called upon to pay a total loss in respect
of the voyage of every ship bound to the
enemy country, irrespective of whether
any damage was suffered by the cargo or
not through the outbreak of war. Presumably,
under the new arrangement any further
protection against specified risks connected
with the outbreak of war which merchants
might desire would be a proper subject for
agreement between them, and their underwriters.

A FAMILY NECESSITY.

EVERY family should be provided with
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qualities and you will never want to be
without it. For sale by all Chemists and
Storekeepers.

HONGKONG A.D.C. PERFORMANCE.

PRODUCTION OF "THE ANGEL OF
THE HOUSE."

The first performance of "The Angel
of the House" given in the Theatre
Royal on Saturday night by members of
the Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club
was a great success in every way.
The House was crowded and full justice
was done on the stage to a very clever
and amusing comedy. It was excellently
well acted.

"The House" in the play is that of Sir
Rupert Hindlow (described as "The Bore
in the House"), an aristocrat of the old-
fashioned type. It also contained two
"Peaches," daughters of Sir Rupert,
to whom, of course, two young men were
semi-attached—one described as "The
Nuisance in the House," the other as
"The Silly Young Ass in the House."

Into this delightful household the
"Angel"—the Hon. Myra Hindlow—
is introduced. He is the son of a lady
for whom the widowed Sir Rupert had
secretly entertained feelings akin to
affection. And as she had entrusted her
Angel to Sir Rupert's care, the old man
was only too delighted to welcome him
to his house and to do anything and
everything to make him feel at home.

The Angel proves to be a man of even-
temper education with a strong penchant
for the Futurist school of art. His luggage,
which almost needs a pantomime, in-
cludes his favourite Futurist paintings,
and he speedily sets to work to trans-
form Sir Rupert's residence—the buy-
ing out of the gardens as well as the
decoration of the interior. The Angel
was also a student of Eugenides, and suc-
ceeded in persuading both Sir Rupert and
his daughters that the Eumenides arrange-
ments in progress at the time of his
advent, were all wrong and that it was
necessary for Laila and Joan to exchange
flannels. The reluctance of the girls and
the fury of the young men and the re-
venge they take on the Angel provide
excellent comedy. It was made plain
by the Angel soon after his advent in
the House that he could not stand cold,
and consequently nothing was kept
going in the house even in the summer.

One day a picnic was arranged, the re-
sult being an island in a large lake,
leaving the Angel on the island for the
night without food and shelter. It so
happened that they also left behind Lady
Sarel, the "widow of the House," on
whom the Angel had noticeably made a
distinct impression, and when they came
to the rescue early in the morning they
found both asleep, the Angel lying on the
ground wearing a dinner jacket to keep
him warm.

From the performers' point of view
we think it was rather a mistake to print
on the programme the "opinions of the
wise men"—the London critics—on the
play as performed in London, for those
opinions could not but suggest to the
audience on reflection after the play that
excellent as its presentation was on
Saturday night, there must have been
something wanting in the interpretation
of the comedy, since it could not be said
that the play on Saturday night made
the audience "howl with laughter." It
certainly kept the audience well amused
from beginning to end, but the London
critiques leave the suggestion that the
fourth-act possibilities of the
comedy were not as fully exploited
as they might be in certain directions
and as they possibly were at the Savoy.

The dominant character in the comedy
is, of course, the Angel, and the role was
taken by Mr. Walter Sinclair with his
unmistakable ability. His presentation
of the most difficult role was an excel-
lent study, indeed, though perhaps a
little prone to heaviness at times where
the eccentricities of the Angel's genius
would appear to lead themselves to a
lighter interpretation. Mr. Sinclair has
great natural gifts as an actor, and he
certainly enhances his local reputation,
high as that has been, by his capable
delineation of the title role in this char-
acter.

The second role of importance in the
play is that of Sir Rupert Hindlow, the
old aristocrat of warrior ancestry, which
was taken by our old friend Mr. Now-
brough Northcote in whom the character had
a worthy interpreter. The part was in-
deed played with great success, and Mr.
Northcote can well be congratulated upon
this addition to his many triumphs on
the local stage.

The feminine roles in the play are
quite subordinate to the two roles already
mentioned, but Mrs. Worcester and Mrs.
H. W. Looker as Joan and Laila Hindlow
respectively, and Mrs. Compertz as Lady
Sarel, made the most of them. Mrs.
Looker took her part almost on the
eve of the production of the play, owing
to the sudden indisposition of Miss Phoebe
May, and the indulgence of the audience
was requested on her behalf; but Mrs.
Looker filled the breach so well that
but for the slip attached to the pro-
gramme, one would have no reason to
suppose that she had not been in the
cast from the commencement of the re-
hearsals. Mrs. Worcester was, as
usual, (as is especially successful).

Mr. H. E. Marlet took the part of Basil
Malet and Mr. A. M. Preston that of
Count Pietro Rossi. Messrs. J. A. Ridg-
way and J. M. Walker were in the cast
as footmen in the House.

The whole performance reached a high
level of excellence and the players, one
and all, deserve to be specially com-
plimented upon the clear and distinct
manner in which their lines were spoken.
Mr. Sinclair was responsible for the
production of the comedy, and this in-
itself is always a guarantee of excellence.
The "Angel of the House," certainly
proved no exception to this general
statement. Mr. Sinclair's production, Mr.
P. S. Cassidy, was assisted stage manager
and prompter. The scenery was by Mr.
W. A. Cornell, the Futurist paintings
which, when the last performance of

the play has been given, should be ex-
hibited where they can be most closely
inspected—were by Messrs. A. M. Preston
and H. L. Sim and appear to be very
good.

The only noticeable "hitch" in Satur-
day night's performance was at the finish
when owing to an unfortunate break of
one of the curtain ropes, the curtain
refused to come down and so spoiled the
final picture.

A small orchestra, organised for the
occasion by Mr. N. Petrickin, played naves
acceptably in the course of the even-
ing a couple of dances from "The Blue
Bird" and Greig's Norwegian Dances.
The orchestra consisted of Miss V. Green,
Miss P. Gordon, Miss G. Main, Mrs. A.
W. L. Robertson, Mrs. Murray Scott,
Mrs. N. Smith, Mr. F. A. Britton, Mr.
E. J. Chapman, Mr. W. R. Neighbour,
and Mr. N. Petrickin.

The play is being repeated to-night,
and a third and final performance is
announced for Saturday next.

The proceeds of the play are to go in
aid of the Blue Cross Fund (the original
fund for helping horses in the war).

THE STRANDING OF THE
"KOLYA."

MARINE COURT OF INQUIRY.

A Marine Court inquiry was held this
morning at the Harbour Office into the
circumstances of the stranding of the S.S.
"Kolya" at Hainan Island on February 21.

Commander C. W. Beckwith, R.N.,
presided, the other members of the Court
being Commander Gibson, H.M.S. "Tiger";
W. Davidson, Commander, "Empress of
Russia"; Samuel Robinson, Commander,
"Empress of Asia"; and E. Pottinger, master
of the S.S. "Lena".

Mr. C. D. Wilkinson watched the inquiry
on behalf of Messrs. Thorsen and Co.,
the agents, while Mr. R. C. Faithfull
represented Captain James Wilcox and Mr.
G. Carporale, respectively master and
chief officer.

Captain Wilcox said he very much
regretted to have to make his statement.
The ship left Hongkong at 7.30 a.m. on
Sunday, February 20th. They passed Gap
Rock at 11.45 at a distance of about three
miles. They took a course to pass about
60 miles West of North Reef. They laid a
course S 64 W, but they actually steered a
course S 53 W by mistake. He could not
say how it occurred, except that he must
have made an error in using the parallel
rulers.

Commander Beckwith.—You did not
think it was necessary to take any de-
viation? Anyhow you were satisfied as to the
deviation?—Yes.

So that from practically noon on day to
11, the next you were on that wrong
course and nobody found it out?—The
course was checked by the Chief Officer
when I first laid it on. Of course, I don't
want to blame the Chief Officer more than
I absolutely necessary.

Continuing, Captain Wilcox said the
ship struck at 5.47 a.m. on Monday,
February 21st. He kept the engines going
full speed astern to try and prevent her
going any further on. She just seemed to
slide on to the reef. He then ran out an
anchor and held the ship off, coming off at
9.0 a.m. He knew that her bottom must
be damaged and he considered it advisable
to return to Hongkong. The ship was in
water ballast, bound for Christmas Island.

Commander Beckwith.—How many cer-
tified officers had you on board?—Myself
and the Chief Officer.

Your second officer was a boy's son?—He is
a smart seaman with good experience.

You say after laying the course and
checking it with the Chief Officer, you did
not check it over again during the evening?
—We had no opportunity. The sky was
overcast and there was a lot of drifting
rain.

How long is it since you actually navigat-
ed as master an ocean-going steamer?—I
have been an officer but not master of an
ocean-going steamer. I have been master
of a sailing ship.

Mr. Faithfull.—To what do you attribute
this mistake, you made?—It is impossible
for me to give any explanation.

May it have arisen through your having
the chart in the wrong position?—I had
the side of the chart towards me instead
of the top.

May I take it that you were perfectly
sober?—Yes, I was; so was the Chief
Officer. I have never had a ship on shore
before during all my 40 years' experience.

Mr. G. Carpendale, Chief Officer, cor-
roborated the account of the facts leading
up to the stranding. He was perfectly
sober at the time of laying the course. He
had held a master's certificate since 1892.
His conduct in navigating ship had never
been inquired into before. He knew he
was the navigating officer.

Mr. Faithfull said he was instructed to
plead guilty to negligence on the part of
both officers. The accident was most in-
explicable. There was no suggestion that
they were not perfectly sober.

Mr. Wilkinson said that very extensive
repairs had been necessary, costing about
\$15,000.

The Court found that the course was
strongly set and that the stranding was
entirely due to the gross carelessness of the
master in setting and steering these wrong
courses, but taking into consideration that
he took proper action to get the ship off
after the grounding, they ordered his
master's certificate, foreign-going, to be
suspended for twelve months, but would
grant him during that period a river master's
certificate or a foreign-going chief mate's
certificate. The Court ordered that George
Carpendale be severely reprimanded for his
carelessness in the navigation of the ship
and that the same be placed on record.

SPORTING.

CRICKET.

DULL GAME AT KOWLOON.

After a stone wall performance on Satur-
day the University team defeated Kowloon
by a small margin. The students com-
menced to bat shortly after two o'clock and
did not retire until after four o'clock.
Batting was exceedingly dull and uninter-
esting and the Kowloon team was forced to
conclude its innings in semi-darkness.
The details of the match are appended—

UNIVERSITY.	
J. D. Wright, c and b Briggs	24
A. de Souza, b Briggs	23
G. E. Marley, c Briggs, b Evans	21
Wei Wing Look, c Briggs, b Kay	37
K. Brayshaw, not out	14
F. A. Redmond, b Kay	6
Ng Siu Kwong, c Briggs, b Kay	14
Ho Wing King, not out	9
Extras	3
Total	135

H. H. Rumpjohn, Chan Wing To and
Yang Hin Lun did not bat.

KOWLOON.

F. Sutton, b Brayshaw	4
D. J. McKenna, c Wei Wing Look, b	3
Marley	21
J. V. Briggs, b Brayshaw	15
B. D. Evans, b Marley	25
N. A. Nether, c Tung Hin Lan, b	0
S. E. Green, c Rumpjohn, b Marley	10
J. P. Robinson, b Brayshaw	13
J. H. Mead, b Brayshaw	12
W. Kay, b Brayshaw	4
P. R. Wolf, b Brayshaw	4
A. W. E. Davidson, not out	1
Extras	2
Total	98

BOWLING ANALYSIS.	
Brayshaw	13.4 1 49 6
Marley	13 3 47 4

SATURDAY'S FOOTBALL.

SHIELD SEMI-FINAL.

The Club entered the Shield Final by
defeating the Rest of the Military on
Saturday by two goals to one. A draw
would have been a fairer result on the
day's play, for although the Club on
ordinary showing might have been expected
to dispose of their opponents easily, the
soldiers on Saturday, despite the fact that
they had played together as a team only
once previously, showed very fine combi-
nation, and an understanding of the play,
backed up by dash and energy, that proved
very disconcerting to the Clubmen. The
Military gave a good display in every
department, and all were triers and stayers.
The soldiers drew first blood, Steele's
goal from a melee being the only point
scored till just before the interval, when
Walker put on the equaliser. The first
half had been somewhat tame, but the
second period was more exciting, and there
were rushes on both sides, with a number
of pot shots. The winning goal came from
Stewart, whose shot quite deceived the
keeper, and gave the Club the victory. Mr
F. W. Wright was the referee.

OTHER GAMES.

In the United Services League, the
Royal Engineers, always the better team,
beat the Navy by a margin of four clear
goals.

Kowloon and Belchers made a goalless
draw in the Second Division of the Hong-
kong League, while the Lancers beat the
Diocesan School 3-2, and the 33rd Com-
pany, R.F.A., got the better of the Con-
spirators by 2-0.

HONGKONG TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

VETERANS HANDICAP DOUBLES.

The following entries have been received
for this additional event—open to all mem-
bers of the Hongkong Cricket Club of 40
years or over—in the Club's Annual Tourna-
ment—

C. Thorne and J. R. Groves.
Hon. Mr. C. Severn and G. Hastings.
H. R. Phelps and H. Humphreys.
R. E. O. Bird and A. H. Crook.
H. W. Slade and Dr. Koch.
Lt. Col. Watson and Lt. Col. Crisp.
Major Robertson and W. J. Hodge.

BLACK LISTED FIRMS.

In the House of Commons on January
27 Mr. Booth asked the Secretary for
Foreign Affairs if the Trading with the
Enemy (Extension of Powers) Act, had yet
been put into operation in any neutral
country.
Lord R. Cecil.—A department called
the Foreign Trade Department of the
Foreign Office has been formed under the
control of Mr. Worthington Evans to deal
with the working of the Act and a
great deal of preparatory work has been
performed. Apart from this, many firms
have been put on black lists in China,
Siam, Persia, Morocco, and in many cases
trade has been diverted from enemy firms.
The first of the statutory black lists under
the extended powers recently conferred
by the Trading with the Enemy (Extension
of Powers) Act will be published shortly.

THE WAR.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE BATTLE NEAR VERDUN.

DAY BY DAY.

Paris, Mar. 4.

A communiqué says:

The bombardment of the various sectors in the region of Verdun continued fairly active during the night, but the Germans attempted no infantry action.

The enemy exploded a mine at Les Eparges, but were unable to occupy the crater.

During the night there was sharp fighting at the mine craters north-east of Verdun. All the craters remained in our hands.

LATER.

The evening communiqué states: North of Verdun there has been a most violent cannonade all day long of the Meuse, at Hill 304, and Hill 305.

The enemy on the right of the Meuse after intensely bombarding Haumont wood, east of Boire Hill, delivered an attack which was stopped by machine-gun and rifle fire.

The Germans in the morning had succeeded in gaining a footing in the village of Douaumont, whence they had driven them the previous evening by a counter-attack. Desperate fighting continued for the possession of the village. There is an alternating ebb and flow.

There has been moderate artillery activity in Woëvre. We captured several elements of trenches in Lorraine, near Thiville ponds, taking prisoners, two machine-guns and a trench mortar.

An attempt by the enemy to expel us from a crater in Artois was repulsed.

We bombarded enemy works in Argonne, destroying shelters.

THE FRENCH COMMANDER.

London, Mar. 5.

The French commander at Verdun is General Pétain, who was on the eve of retiring, with the rank of Colonel, at the outbreak of war. He is physically most active, and is adored by the soldiers.

THE STRUGGLE EXTENDING.

Paris, Mar. 5.

Today's communiqué says:

In the region of Verdun the struggle which has hitherto been localised to the village of Douaumont, has been extended.

The Germans at dusk very vigorously attacked our lines from Bois Haumont to Fort Douaumont, but the attack was repulsed by our curtain of fire and rifle fire.

The bombardment continued the whole night long with some intensity along the whole front eastward of the Meuse and westward from Mort Homme to Cote de l'Oie.

LATEST NEWS.

Paris, Mar. 5.

Last night's communiqué says: Our batteries effected the destruction by fire of enemy works north of Soissons, and bombarded enemy works at various places in Argonne.

There was a most violent bombardment north of Verdun, notably between Bois Haumont and Fort Douaumont. The enemy, however, did not renew the attack. There is no change in the position at the village of Douaumont, of which we hold the immediate outskirts.

A German attack on our advanced positions in the wood east of Vacher-aux-villes was completely repulsed.

There has been a heavy bombardment in the Woëvre region, at Fresnes and Haumont.

Our artillery is very active along the whole front.

It cannonaded the enemy marching north of Vacher-aux-villes, near the Bois Fosses, and on the outskirts of Juvencourt.

A French aeroplane last night dropped several bombs on the station at Comblanc, where the greatest activity prevails.

THE GERMAN AVALANCHE OF SHELLS.

Paris, Mar. 5.

It is estimated that the Germans are hurling 400,000 projectiles daily at Verdun.

ACTIVITY ON BRITISH FRONT.

London, Mar. 4.

General Sir Douglas Haig in a communiqué says:—Germans fighting continued last night in craters north-east of Verdun, with enemy activity at Leers and north-east of Ypres. The situation on the Ypres-Commines canal is quiet. We retain the ground gained on March 2nd.

Our artillery in Lombartzyde wrecked the German trenches. Our batteries in Argonne fired numerous salvoes on the enemy trenches and communications, starting a fire at Douvrevilles.

"MOEWIE" REACHES A GERMAN PORT.

WITH PRISONERS AND BOOTY.

Amsterdam, Mar. 5.

A Berlin communiqué announces that the Moewie arrived yesterday at some Home port after a successful cruise.

She brought 4 British officers, 20 blue-jackets, and 110 sailors from the merchant ships she sunk and gold, jewels of the value of one million marks.

LATER.

The communiqué gives the names of fifteen vessels which the Moewie sank or sent to neutral ports.

The list includes two new victims, the *Saxon Prince* and the French steamer *Marmite*.

It concludes by stating that at several points on the enemy coast the Moewie laid mines, and that the battleship *Edvard VII* was among the victims of these mines.

GRAVE SITUATION AT CONSTANTINOPLE.

ATTEMPT ON THE LIFE OF ENVER PASHA.

Athens, Mar. 4.

Diplomatic advices state that Enver Pasha, the Minister of War, has been wounded in an attempt on his life.

The Duke of Mecklenburg, in view of the gravity of the situation, has telegraphed to the Kaiser urging the dispatch of reinforcements to Constantinople.

A BERLIN STATEMENT.

Athens, Mar. 5.

There is no further news of Enver Pasha but a Berlin message which says he is visiting the holy places in Palestine is significant.

If the news of the attempt be true, it is likely to have most important consequences.

TURKS CONTEMPLATE OPENING THE DARDANELLES.

Mar. 6.

Sensational information from a private source says that the Turks are removing their mines from the Dardanelles, evidently preparatory to opening the Straits.

RUSSIAN CHARGE IN A SNOWSTORM.

TWENTY NEW-KRUPP GUNS CAPTURED.

Petrograd, Mar. 5.

Official details of the capture of Bitlis show that the Russians attacked, without firing a shot, at night in a snowstorm. They charged with the bayonet, dislodging the Turks after a desperate resistance by the Turkish artillery.

The position was captured after close fighting. All the defenders were killed.

During the pursuit the Russians captured 20 new Krupp guns in good condition, and sabred and captured many Turks.

A large artillery and munitions depot was captured at Bitlis.

"BRISKNESS" ON ENTIRE RUSSIAN FRONT.

Petrograd, Mar. 5.

A communiqué states:—We exploded fourteen mines at Ilakst. There was desperate fighting for the craters. We occupied six.

The Germans made a violent attack a few miles east of Buzovitch, which was repulsed.

Generally there is briskness along the entire front.

The pursuit of the Turks in the Caucasus continues.

ZEPPELIN RAID ON GREAT BRITAIN.

London, Mar. 5.

The Press Bureau announces that two Zeppelins raided the north-east coast on Sunday night.

Their movements have not up to the present been clearly defined.

Some bombs were dropped into the sea near the shore.

It is not known whether any damage has been done on land.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S VICTORY.

Washington, Mar. 5.

President Wilson's victory in the Senate surprised expectations.

The same vote—68 to 11—rejected all resolutions urging a more pacific course towards Germany.

The galleries were crowded, and the scenes unparalleled since the declaration of war against Spain.

The Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives recommends a procedure in regard to the "Armed Merchantmen" controversy similar to that of the Senate.

New York, Mar. 5.

The pro-Germans are much disappointed by the vote in the Senate, especially as a similar defeat is likely in the House of Representatives.

The government, summed up, is that the Senate has shown that the Foreign Affairs of the United States are in the hands of the President, and not of the Kaiser.

CALLING UP THE MARRIED MEN.

London, Mar. 4.

A Proclamation has been issued calling up the first eight groups of married men under Lord Derby's scheme.

ADMIRAL LORD FISHER.

London, Mar. 5.

The *Daily Chronicle* states there is reason to believe that Lord Fisher has been appointed to the War Council.

BRITISH STEAMER SUNK.

London, Mar. 5.

The British steamer *Ten-tonian* has been sunk. The crew have been landed.

THE FRENCH NAVAL STAFF.

Paris, Mar. 5.

Vice-Admiral Lebon has been appointed Chief of the Naval Staff.

EXPLOSION AT A FRENCH POWDER FACTORY.

Paris, Mar. 5.

Twenty-two people were killed and 66 injured in an explosion at a powder factory at Commeuve.

KING PRESENTS WELL-KNOWN HORSE TO CANADA.

Ottawa, Mar. 5.

The King has presented "Anmer" to the Canadian Government for remount breeding.

"Anmer" is the horse that killed the suffragette who interrupted the Derby of 1913.

NEW AFRICAN MEDAL.

London, Mar. 5.

An official notification states that a new Africa General Service medal has been instituted to commemorate native operations in East, Central and West Africa. It will be granted to the forces under Colonel Cubitt taking part in the operations at Shimberris on November 19th to 25th 1914 and January 2nd to 9th, 1915, and the operations under Colonel Shire in Nyasaland on January 24th and February 17th, 1915.

RUSSIAN PROGRESS IN PERSIA.

Petrograd, Mar. 4.

A communiqué states:—The Russians have captured Bijlar, 70 versts north-west of Hamadan.

(Havas Service.)

EXPLOSION OF A FRENCH POWDER MAGAZINE.

Paris, Mar. 4.

An explosion destroyed the right wing of the powder magazine called the "Double Crown" at St. Denis, near Paris.

The victims, both killed and wounded, are numerous.

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

(Wah Tsz Yat Po's Service.)

THE REVOLT IN CHINA.

PEKING, March 5.

The Government intends sending Sir Leung to Szechuan to settle the trouble there, and Cheung Fan is being sent to Western Hunan to suppress the disturbances there.

Tong Shao Yi and Wu Ting Fang have submitted schemes for "saving the situation," which have been favourably received by the President.

REFORMS IN KWANGTUNG.

PEKING, March 4.

The Administrative Headquarters has sanctioned a proposal for establishing a Land Office and for organizing a Fishery Police force in Kwangtung.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE BATTLE OF VERDUN.

FRENCH CASUALTIES IN FIRST SHOCK.

London, Mar. 5.

The Paris correspondent of the *Times* states that the French casualties in the first shock at Verdun totalled 30,000.

SECOND PHASE OF THE BATTLE.

ATTACK WITH REDOUBLED FEROCITY.

Paris, Mar. 3.

Today's communiqué says:—North of Verdun the German artillery was extremely violent on both banks of the Meuse.

German infantry renewed their attacks with redoubled ferocity in the Douaumont region, and in the village north-west of the fort after a series of fruitless attempts, they were able to make some advance. Fighting continued across the single village street.

The village of Vaux, eastward of Douaumont, was at the same time furiously attacked from the north-east. All these assaults broke down, the Germans hastily retreating and leaving a heap of corpses in the barbed-wire entanglements.

The Germans intensely bombarded Woëvre throughout the night. A French curtain of fire prevented the attackers from debouching.

LATER.

An official announcement identical with the communiqué adds:—The German attacks at Vaux were shattered by a curtain of fire and machine-guns. German artillery was active at Malancourt and Haumont.

A weak enemy attack in Lorraine was easily scattered.

DOUAUMONT AN EPISODE IN A GIGANTIC BATTLE.

FRENCH CONFIDENCE UNSHAKEN.

Paris, Mar. 4.

A semi-official announcement says that, apart from Verdun, the enemy is manifesting an intention to assume the defensive. The resumption of fighting on Thursday night and Friday was most violent in the Douaumont sector, where the village is still disputed. The Douaumont affair is only an episode in a gigantic battle which will be marked by inevitable fluctuations, but nothing has occurred to shake our confidence in its victorious issue.

ENEMY CLAIMS.

Amsterdam, Mar. 3.

A Berlin communiqué claims that the Germans took 1,000 prisoners and six guns in the fight for the village of Douaumont, and that they have improved their lines southward and westward of the village.

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HOT FIGHTING NEAR DOUAUMONT.

HEAVY BOMBARDMENTS AT OTHER POINTS.

Paris, March 4.

The evening communiqué says:—North of Verdun there has been hot fighting near the village of Douaumont. We hold the upper part of a knoll on the northern slopes on which the village is situated. A sharp counter-attack enabled us to regain ground close to the village.

The bombardment continued most violently west and east of the Meuse, and also in Woëvre.

Our artillery concentrated its fire on enemy gathering points, particularly near Beaumont, where a marching column was shattered.

In Upper Alsace we attacked east of Seppois, and captured several elements of trenches on the right bank of the Great Largue. An enemy counter-attack failed to dislodge us from the conquered ground.

We bombarded enemy cantonments in Belgium, and enemy works at Neuville, Berry-au-Bac, and in Argonne. A strong German patrol attacked a post north of the Aisne and was repulsed.

SIGNS OF COMING GERMAN COLLAPSE.

WHY THE GERMANS ARE BEING DRIVEN.

London, March 5.

The whole of the French Press is of opinion that the Kaiser is driving the German battalions to the assault not for victory but in order to induce the German and the *bourgeoisie* to drain their coffers, and to spread the idea of a German peace throughout the world. The French, however, are fighting to win. They see in the fury of the German attacks signs of a coming collapse.

FAMOUS FRENCH AVIATOR'S SIXTH VICTORY.

Paris, March 4.

The evening communiqué says:—Adjudant Navarre brought down his sixth German aeroplane near Douaumont. The enemy aviators were wounded and captured.

AUSTRALIAN ADMIRATION OF THE FRENCH.

Melbourne, March 5.

Crowds wait at the newspaper offices to read the communiqué concerning the battle near Verdun. They express intense admiration for the French bravery.

ENEMY SHIPS AT GOA SEIZED.

London, March 3.

Lloyd's agent at Bombay reports that all the German steamers interned at Mormagoa (Portuguese Goa) have hoisted the Portuguese flag, and the crews have been interned.

BRITISH MINING AT HOHEN-ZOLLERN REDOUBT.

London, March 3.

A British communiqué states:—On Thursday evening we exploded five mines near the Hohenzollern Redoubt and occupied the craters, one of which contained the enemy's main mining shaft. A hostile bombing attack was repulsed. There was considerable artillery activity on both sides in this neighbourhood today.

GERMAN SEAPLANE TAKEN.

FALLS INTO SEA AFTER BOMBING ENGLISH COAST.

London, March 3.

It is officially announced that a German seaplane was picked up at 10 a.m. yesterday three miles north of Middlekerke Bank. The machine had come down at 9 o'clock on Wednesday night when returning from England. One of the observers was drowned and the other was picked up and taken prisoner.

FRENCH STEAMER SUNK.

Marseilles, March 5.

The French steamer *Lakme* has been mined. There were six casualties.

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